STATE OF MONTANA
DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

MERRIAM'S WILD TURKEY REGULATIONS FOR 1983

By order of the Montana Fish and Game Commission, the districts described below shall be open to the hunting of Merriam's wild turkey by special wild turkey tag holders only, from one-half hour before sunrise through one-half hour after sunset on the dates shown for each district. Sunrise-sunset times shall be in conformance with the sunrise-sunset schedule by zones adopted by the Montana Fish and Game Commission.

September 10 through November 27, 1983

Southeast District: Those portions of Big Horn, Carter, Custer, Dawson, Fallon, Garfield, Musselshell, Powder River, Prairie, Rosebud, Treasure, Wibaux and Yellowstone counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at the Yellowstone River bridge north of Custer, then north on the Custer-Melstone Road to U.S. Highway 12 at Melstone, then east on U.S. Highway 12 to the Musselshell River bridge, then north down the Musselshell River to Fort Peck Reservoir, then easterly along the south bank of Fort Peck Reservoir to Big Dry Creek, then south up Big Dry Creek to Little Dry Creek, then south up Little Dry Creek to State Highway 200, then west on State Highway 200 through Jordan to the Edwards-Ingomar Road 7 miles east of Sand Springs, then south on the Edwards-Ingomar Road to U.S. Highway 12 near Ingomar, then southeast on U.S. Highway 12 to Interstate Highway 94 at Forsyth, then easterly, and northerly along U.S. Interstate Highway 94 through Glendive to Montana-North Dakota state line, then south along the North Dakota-South Dakota-Montana state line to the Montana-Wyoming state line, then west on the Montana-Wyoming state line to the Crow Indian Reservation boundary, then north along the Crow Indian Reservation boundary to the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation boundary, then easterly, northerly and westerly along the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation boundary to the Crow Indian Reservation boundary, then north and west along the Crow Indian Reservation boundary to the Bighorn River, then north down the Bighorn River to the Yellowstone River, then west up the Yellowstone River to the Yellowstone River bridge at Custer, the point of beginning.

October 25 through November 27, 1983

Bull Mountain District: Those portions of Musselshell, Big Horn, Yellowstone, and Golden Valley counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Billings, thence northwesterly along State Route 3 to its junction with U.S. Highway 12 north of Lavina, thence east and northeasterly along U.S. Highway 12 to Melstone, thence south and southeasterly along the Melstone-Custer Road to the Yellowstone River bridge at Custer, thence easterly down the Yellowstone River to the Bighorn River, thence southerly up the Bighorn River to Highway 87 at Hardin, thence west and northwesterly from Hardin along U.S. Highway 87 to Billings, the point of beginning.

Areas Closed to Hunting: State Game Preserves and closures.

License: Wild Turkey Tag - $3. Must be in possession of a Class AAA $35 Resident Sportsman's License or a Class A-1 $4 Resident Bird License and $2 Conservation License, or Class B-1 $30 Nonresident Bird License and $2 Conservation License, or a Class B-10 $275 Nonresident Big Game Combination License. Montana residents 62 and older must be in possession of the $2 Conservation License. Persons under 12 years of age may not hunt game birds. Special turkey tags may be obtained from the Helena office of the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, any Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks regional office, or any license agent.

Limit: One wild turkey per special tag holder per fall season.

Tagging: The tag provided with the special game license must be filled out and affixed to the leg of the turkey immediately after killing and must remain thereon.

Means of Taking: Wild turkey may be taken with a shotgun not larger than a ten gauge, long bow and arrow, rifle, or handgun.

Other Restrictions: Baiting prohibited. "Baiting" shall mean the placing, exposing, depositing, distributing, or scattering of corn, wheat, or other grain so as to constitute a lure or attraction. Nothing shall prohibit the taking of birds in or over standing crops or harvested cropland or grains scattered as a result of agricultural harvesting.

MONTANA FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

BY: JAMES W. FLYNN, SECRETARY
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STATE OF MONTANA
DEPARTMENT FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

1983 SPRING WILD TURKEY GOBBLER SEASON
GENERAL TURKEY LICENSE SEASON

By order of the Montana Fish and Game Commission, the following described areas in Big Horn, Carter, Chouteau, Fergus, Flathead, Garfield, McCone, Powder River, Rosebud and Sanders counties shall be open to the hunting of male wild Merriam turkey by valid special turkey license holders only, beginning at one-half (½) hour before sunrise April 9, 1983 and from one-half (½) hour before sunrise to one-half (½) hour after sunset each day ending April 30, 1983.

Fergus County: Fergus County in its entirety.

Carter and Powder River Counties: Carter and Powder River counties in their entirety.

Big Horn and Rosebud Counties: Those portions of Big Horn and Rosebud counties lying south of Highway 212 and east of the Northern Cheyenne Indian and Crow Indian Reservation boundaries.

Big Game Hunting District 700 (North Garfield): Those portions of Garfield and McCone counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at the Musselshell River bridge near Mosby on State Route 200, then north down the Musselshell River to the Missouri River, then east and north down the Missouri River to the Fort Peck Powerhouse, then south along the east shore of the Fort Peck Reservoir to Big Dry Creek, then south up Big Dry Creek to Little Dry Creek, then up Little Dry Creek to State Route 200, then west along State Route 200 to the Musselshell River bridge, the point of beginning.

Areas Open to Holders of Valid Special Wild Turkey License and Special Turkey Gobbler Permit

Chouteau County: The Missouri, Teton and Marias River drainages lying within Chouteau County shall be open to the hunting of male wild Merriam's turkey by valid special turkey license holders and 1983 special turkey gobbler permit holders only.

A total of 40 special turkey gobbler permits will be issued for this area. Applicants must submit in writing their name, address, and $2 drawing fee to the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Rural Route 4041, Great Falls, Montana 59405. Applications must be postmarked by March 25, 1983 to be eligible for the drawing. Successful applicants will be notified by mail and will be required to purchase a 1982 turkey license before hunting.

Big Game Hunting Districts 121 and 122 (Sanders and Flathead Counties): Big game hunting districts 121 and 122 in Sanders and Flathead counties shall be open to the hunting of male wild Merriam's turkey by valid special turkey license holders and 1983 special turkey gobbler permit holders only.

A total of fifteen (15) special turkey gobbler permits will be issued for each hunting district. Applicants must submit in writing their name, address, and $2 drawing fee to the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Box 67, Kalispell, Montana 59901. Applications must be postmarked by March 25, 1983 to be eligible for the drawing. Successful applicants will be notified by mail and will be required to purchase a 1982 turkey license before hunting.

Only shotguns or long bow and arrow may be used in the hunting district 121 and 122 turkey area.

Turkey gobbler permittees must secure permission from landowners before hunting on private property.

The special turkey gobbler permit serves only as authorization for the holder to hunt this area during the time specified. It is not a hunting license or tag.

Persons applying for a special turkey gobbler permit must submit no more than one (1) application.

The following regulations apply to all areas:

License: Wild Turkey Tag - $3. Must be in possession of a Class AAA $35 Resident Sportsman's License, or a Class A-1 $4 Resident Bird License and $2 Conservation License, or Class B-1 $30 Nonresident Bird License and $2 Conservation License, or a Class B-10 $275 Nonresident Big Game Combination License. Montana residents 62 and older must be in possession of the $2 Conservation License. Persons under 12 years of age may not hunt game birds. Special turkey tags may be obtained from the Helena office of the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, any Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks regional office, or any license agent.

Limit: One wild turkey per special tag holder per spring season.

Tagging: The tag provided with the special game license must be filled out and affixed to the leg of the turkey immediately after killing and must remain thereon.

Means of Taking: Male wild turkey may be taken with a shotgun not larger than a ten gauge, long bow and arrow, rifle, or handgun.

Other Restrictions: Baiting prohibited. "Baiting" shall mean the placing, exposing, depositing, distributing, or scattering of corn, wheat, or other grain so as to constitute a lure or attraction. Nothing shall prohibit the taking of birds in or over standing crops or harvested cropland or grains scattered as a result of agricultural harvesting.

MONTANA FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

James W Flynn

BY: JAMES W. FLYNN, SECRETARY
March 11, 1983

1983 SPRING WILD TURKEY GOBBLER SEASON

SEASON: April 9 through April 30

SHOOTING HOURS: One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

AREAS OPEN TO HOLDERS OF VALID SPECIAL WILD TURKEY LICENSE

FERGUS COUNTY in its entirety.

CARTER AND POWDER RIVER COUNTIES: Carter and Powder River Counties in their entirety.

BIG HORN AND ROSEBUD COUNTIES: Those portions of Big Horn and Rosebud Counties lying south of Hwy.212 and east of the Northern Cheyenne Indian and Crow Indian Reservation boundaries.

HUNTING DISTRICT 700 (NORTH GARFIELD): Those portions of Garfield and McCone Counties within the following described boundary: Beginning at the Musselshell River bridge near Mosby on State Route 200, then north down the Musselshell River to the Missouri River, then east and north down the Missouri River to the Fort Peck Powerhouse, then south along the east shore of the Ft. Peck Reservoir to Big Dry Creek, then south up Big Dry Creek to Little Dry Creek, then up Little Dry Creek to State Route 200, then west along State Route 200 to the Musselshell River Bridge, the point of beginning.

AREAS OPEN TO HOLDERS OF VALID SPECIAL WILD TURKEY LICENSE AND SPECIAL TURKEY GOBBLER PERMIT:

Missouri-Teton and Marias River Drainages within Chouteau County shall be open to the hunting of male wild Merriam's turkey by valid wild turkey license and 1983 special turkey gobbler permit holders only.

A total of 40 special turkey gobbler permits will be issued for this area. Applicants must submit in writing their name, address and a $2.00 drawing fee to the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Rural Route 4041, Great Falls, MT 59405. Applications must be postmarked by March 25, 1983 to be eligible for the drawing. Successful applicants will be notified by mail and will be required to purchase a 1982 turkey license before hunting.

AND:

Big Game Hunting Districts 121 and 122. A total of fifteen (15) special turkey gobbler permits will be issued for each hunting district. Applicants must submit in writing their name, address and a $2.00 drawing fee to the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Box 67, Kalispell, MT 59901. Applications must be postmarked by March 25, 1983 to be eligible for the drawing. Successful applicants will be notified by mail.

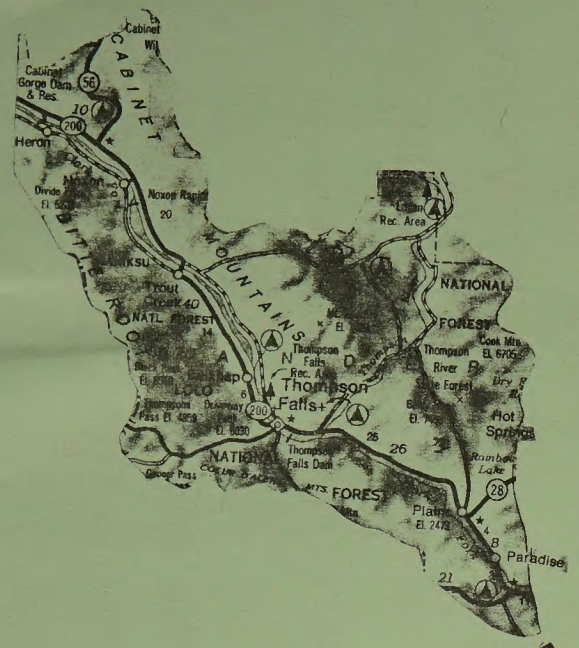
Turkey gobbler permittees must secure permission from landowners before hunting on private property.

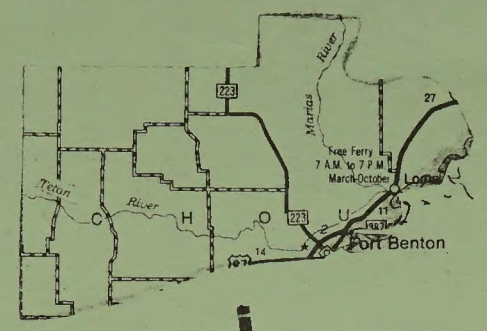
The special turkey gobbler permit serves only as authorization for the holder to hunt this area during the time specified. It is not a hunting license or tag. Persons applying for a special turkey gobbler permit must submit no more than one (1) application.

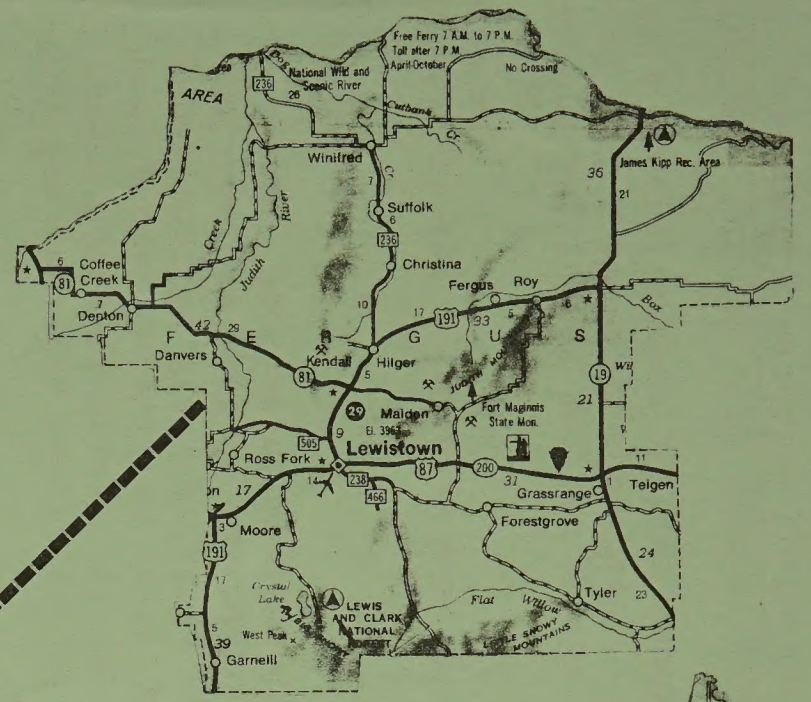
LICENSE: SPECIAL WILD TURKEY LICENSE $3: Applicants for wild turkey licenses, in addition to possessing a Wildlife Conservation license, must possess a Resident Bird hunting license, or a Nonresident Bird hunting license, or a Nonresident $225 Wildlife Conservation and Big Game license or a Montana Resident Sportsman's license. Special turkey licenses may be obtained from Fish, Wildlife and Parks offices and license dealers. Persons exempt from purchasing Class A-1 Resident game bird licenses must purchase the special turkey license to legally hunt turkeys.

1983 spring gobbler tukey season.

April 9-30







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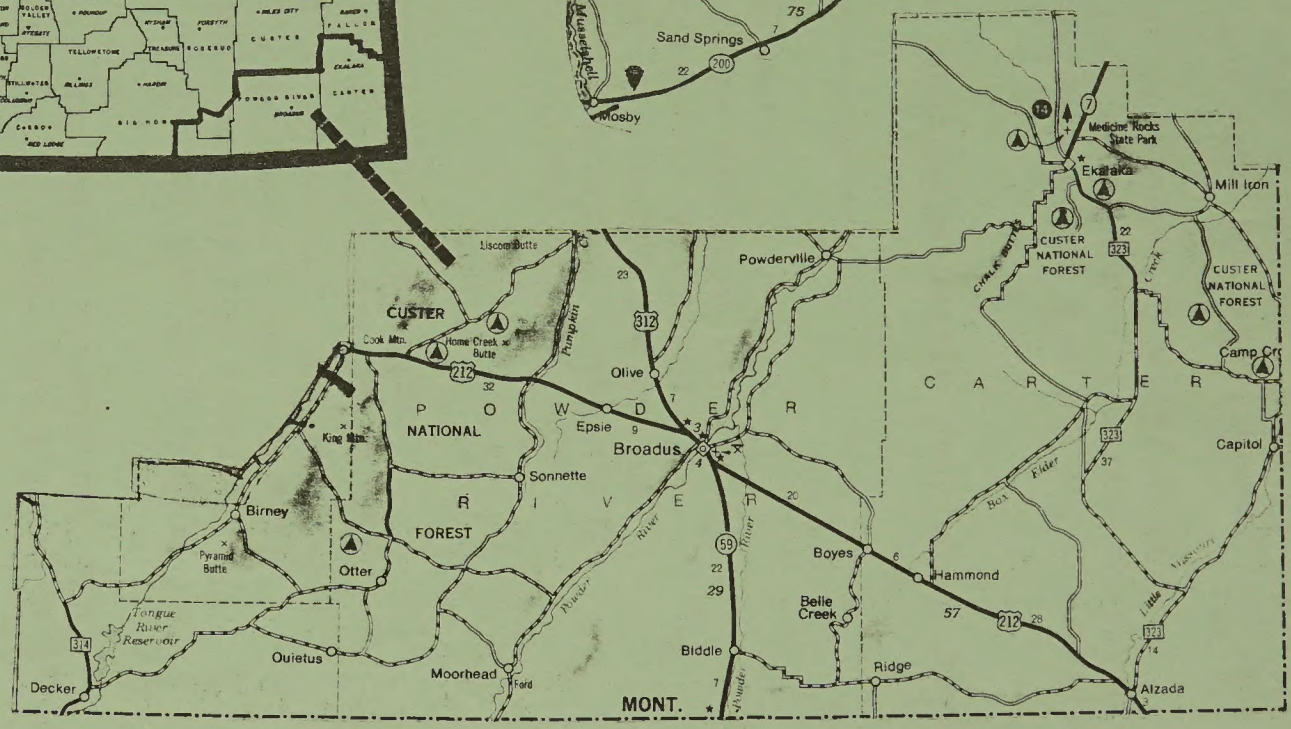

LIMIT: ONE MALE TURKEY FOR EACH TURKEY LICENSE AND TAG HOLDER.

TAGGING: The turkey tag and license must have the day and month of kill cut out and affixed to the leg of the male turkey immediately after it is killed.

MEANS OF TAKING: Male wild turkeys may be taken with a shotgun not larger than a ten gauge, long bow and arrow, rifle or handgun. Except shotguns or long bow and arrow only in H.D.'s 121 and 122.

BAITING: Baiting is prohibited.

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